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Introduction

The PSP X MAG is the Internet's fastest-growing PSP magazine. It features game reviews, previews, cheat codes, homebrew news, game info, and much more! We would like to welcome you to our third issue, which has even more pages and interesting content than before! We'd like to thank all of our fans for making us such a great success, and we hope to surpass our expectations even further. You can always email us with questions about us or our articles at psp_xmag@yahoo.com. Also, we suggest you join our forums. Thanks for reading this month's issue, and enjoy tunes!!- The PSP X MAG Team

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If you have good writing skills and have some spare time, then you are welcome to join the PSP X MAG team. Whether it be one set up or 10, anything helps! So please, contact us via the forum at http://forum.psp-x-mag.com using either the contact form or PM to "Ale".

If you help us join by Issue 10, you will see the X MAG developing into the largest PSP magazine ever! Thanks.

Future Editions

Have high expectations for future X MAG issues! Issue 7 will feature 110 pages, a new and sleek design, and even better writing! Our team is growing rapidly, so you never know what you may see...

Joining Forces!

The X Mag team has just joined forces with the PSPCrazy.com staff, making it the official mag of PSPCrazy, as you will notice in the next issue. We would like to thank PSPCrazy for creating webspace for www.xpgamer.com, and please continue to the next page to read about this fantastic PSP gaming site!

Issue 4 will feature a brand "official" subscriptions for the PSPCrazy Mag started!

With remaining issues, you will receive your 3 issues, beforehand more exclusive mags/issues that will eventually release to the net!

SYSTEM SOFTWARE UPDATE ON 3.60

On the 30th of November SCEA released a new firmware upgrade for the psp. It contains the f... ...owing changes.

Network:

[Wipe Cache] has been added to recovery menu under Network.

[Online Registration] has been added to recovery menu as an option in the [Location/Free™ Playlist] control panel.

[Simplified Chinese (GB2312/GBK)] and [Traditional Chinese (Big5)] have been added as options to the [Language] item in the [Internet Browser] menu list.

Music:

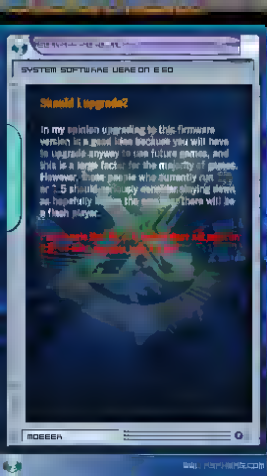
WMA files are now playable with some limitations.

Settings:

Enable WMA playback. This is required for the playing of WMA music files.

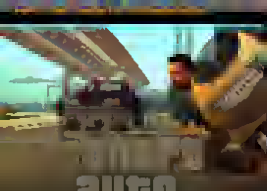
MOBEEA

To many of you these features will mean nothing until you have actually downloaded the update, yet so that you can make an informed decision on whether to download it, or not I have already downloaded it and will explain the features to you the reader. The 1st on is my opinion the most important. What it does is allow the PSP user to download RSS feeds, emails, files, maps every time a connection is made. This is a fantastic idea for which I don't think that anyone has actualised. There is a few new features for Locationfree users and at least shows that there has been some attempt to make Locationfree usable, yet I personally find them pointless. There are some language but the chances that American citizens will want to be reading in Chinese is debatable. The final function which I will talk about is the WMA playback function. I personally do not find this the most useful function as WMA is not the most common of music extensions and is not as widely accepted with the less famous PC media players. However, it does show that SCEA is still thinking about widening the playability of the PSP.


SYSTEM SOFTWARE UPGRADE
Should I upgrade?
In my opinion upgrading to this firmware version is a good idea because you will have to upgrade anyway to use future games, and this is a large fact for the majority of gamers. However, those people who currently run ... or 2.5 should not any earlier and hopefully before the end of there will be a flash player.
ROBBEA

Grand Theft Auto: Liberty City Stories

When you first glance at a copy of Grand Theft Auto: Liberty City Stories, you think 'Oh no, not another one of these.' I just finished playing San Andreas! Well, think again! Rockstar has brought us amazing performance, graphics, and gameplay just like the PS2 counterpart. It has all of your favorite features like the screaming radio stations, yet doesn't eat up your battery as fast as expected! In this latest installment of the GTA saga, Liberty City is on the verge of a meltdown with violence and drugs taking over. You just so happen to get dropped right in the middle of it.



New Multiplayer?

The stunning graphics combined with amazing sound effects and music immerses you into the GTA experience and makes you feel as if you are there. One of the new and welcomed features in LCS is that it has included many new multiplayer modes through the PSP's ad-hoc network capabilities. This adds another dimension of gameplay to the already vibrant game. Alas all, if you pop this game into your PSP, you are instantly hooked and I can assure that you will have trouble ever putting your PSP down.

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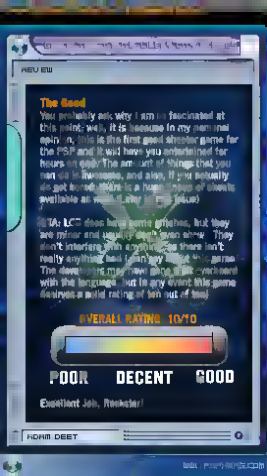
A PSP Revolution

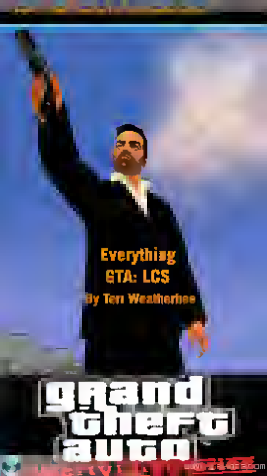
GTA: LCS is my first title of the GTA series, yet I have to say that I was blown away in a flash! I find this game to be the best to date for the PSP, with mastered graphics, sounds, weapons, vehicles, characters, and more!

The Basics

This game has tons of environments, guns, parties, and the like. I'm not going to go into too many details, but I will say that everything is just fantastic. Gameplay is smooth, loading times are very fast (usually ~20 seconds), and music is varied and appealing. [illegible] man stores, [illegible] cars, [illegible] or hit them. [illegible] your fate. The [illegible] and fun to watch. [illegible] missions are [illegible] plot amount of [illegible] fantastic!

Liberty City [illegible] will keep you entertained for a very long time!


The Good
You probably ask why I am so fascinated at this point; well, it is because in my personal opinion, this is the first good shooter game for the PSP and it will have you entertained for hours on end. The amount of things that you can do is awesome, and also, if you actually do get bored, there is a huge heap of levels available as well. (Like 15 levels)
The Bad
EA: LC does have some glitches, but they are minor and usually don't bother me. They don't interfere with gameplay, so there isn't really anything bad I can say about the game. The developers may have gone a bit overboard with the language, but in any event this game deserves a solid rating of ten out of ten!
OVERALL RATING: 10/10
POOR
DECENT
GOOD
Excellent Job, Reviewer!


Everything
GTA: LCS
By Tom Weatherbee
grand
theft
auto

Quick Review

Liberty City Stories is, just as you'd expect from a GTA title, fun as hell. The graphics in this game are the equivalent to those seen in GTA3, if not better. There are still all the same extras you'd expect such as taxi missions, vigilante missions and ambulance missions. There is even a new fire truck mission where you have to put up a chase meter and try to beat your own times. The original firefighter missions are also available. These missions use the old R3 missions and now started by pressing the up directional button. Once you have the chase ring to it, does it? The gameplay is just as always very and it doesn't take long to get used to the new controls, even for those who hate using the PSP joystick nub. Love this game a lot!!!

LIBERTY CITY RANKED WORST PLACE IN AMERICA, AGAIN

This handbook has to be by far ——— the most creative I have ever seen. Most handbooks just tell you the kinds of weapons you can get as well as maybe the game secrets, but Rockstar has always gone beyond this standard with their manuals by giving us a tourist guide. These guides has everything, such as restaurant ads, CD ads, and radio station guides, not to mention much more. This time around Rockstar's new concept: They have gone from giving us a tourist guide to an issue of Liberty City's very own newspaper, Liberty Tree.

This "newspaper" begins with an article on the front-page saying, "Liberty City Ranked: Worst Place in America, Again." It goes on to say now the city met the still in 6 out of 7 categories with the "City you where most likely to get eaten by a wild animal" going to Los Santos. This leads me to believe that even though Rockstar has denied a rigorous that there is a "bigfoot" or "yeti"

wandering about the wooded areas in San Andreas that maybe something else could be wandering around eating the innocent victims that have claimed to have seen Info "Hiding." Always remember when listening to Rockstar that at one point over "Hot Coffee" was denied.

This sound alone has multiple parallels on the part of Rockstar. The article "Motorcycles Kill and Must be Banned" senselessly justifies why there are no bikes in 2003's Liberty City but there is in 1998's Liberty City. It says how the protest group called A.R.S.E (American Road Safety for Everybody) is trying to have motorcycles banned and have already banned 3 cycles. The banning of bicycles also explains why there are no bicycles in 1998 when they have been around for a really long time. The group A.R.S.E has been trying to ban motorcycles for a while and it surely ends with, "...A.R.S.E continues its fight." The obvious result of this fight is the total banning of motorcycles by the year 2001.

The name game Rockstar likes to play has once again been played in the newspaper with articles being written by such journalists as Pinchie Cochmeyer, Edward Norton and Anut Gulbenkian.

I would like to [illegible] Thank You to Lawyer Grand Kirk Blackcrylch for making this section possible. The rest of the PSPGAMES staff for making the magazine what it is today.

I would also like to start a section for the readers to send in their opinions or any questions that may be added to the next issue. If anyone has any questions about the mag, the PSP, or would just like to make some comments, please send an e-mail to kirk@pspgames.com. Thanks for the support, everyone!

I have noticed several wordplays in the movies titles based on movies. Richelet always had a tendancy to play with the names. So here are some that I have noticed. Keep in mind there may be more.

The Night of the Chainsaw Massacre
a.k.a
The Texas Chainsaw Massacre

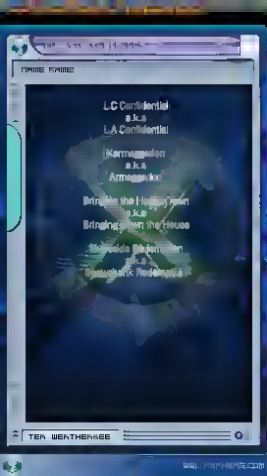
Dumb and Dumberer

Dumb and Dumberer
a.k.a
When Harry Met Lloyd

The Passion of the Christ
a.k.a
The Passion of the Christ

The Whole Nine Yards
a.k.a
The Whole Nine Yards

The Night of the Living Breads
a.k.a
The Night Of the Living Dead


L.C Confidential
a.k.a
L.A Confidential
Kamerawoman
a.k.a
Amerawoman
Bringing the Happiness
a.k.a
Bringing Men the House
Shemale Salesperson
a.k.a
Shemale Policeman
TEA WEATHERBEE

Rockstar Custom Tracks:

That's right, you can add your own custom soundtracks to Grand Theft Auto: LCS. Go to http://www.rockstargames.com/libertycitystories/pc_tracks.html and download the program to put your own tunes, and put it in the game. Unfortunately the program is for PC only so, you Mac users are out of luck!

Once again unique stunt jumps have been added to the 100% checklist. This time around in Liberty City the jumps are in completely different locations. The landscape has somewhat changed so along with it so must the jumps. One of the more unique jumps was where you drive up a grass hill near the docks in Torrington and jump away much through a tree and over some billboards. Another one was fun yet very challenging and I have yet completed the jump successfully.

Another one is by the docks and where you fly over and to a grass hill in the south of Saharaner. Whilst in the air you must spin and give me a nice switch just underneath. Shiiee and wicks. There are many more hidden about the city for you to find.

SIDE MISSION MANIA!

Slash TV Essentially this is the same as The Portland Chainsaw Massacre for those of you who have played it. You're in for a complete massacre, it's kill or be killed. You are attacked by numerous psychopaths with chainsaws and have to survive several waves.

Wrong Side of the Tracks Located at the El train station just south of Salvatore's mansion. Just hop on the sanchez and you have to race around the train tracks, and beat the wong kmihera. If you fall off the track you automatically fail.

Car Salesman. Simple, the kind of car suggests what it needs to sell. Examples Ranaheen you got to go fast, and Bobcat needs to go offroading. Sell cars just like you normally would only you can damage them a bit.

Car-azy Car Giveaway Same as the other GTA games where you just have to find a list of cars and bring them to the garage. Located in Bedford West of where you receive Donald Love missions.

See the Sky Before Your Flight This is similar to taxi missions only you will have to drive them to a Liberty City landmark where you have to then take a picture of them in front of it. You're on a time limit of course added to the mix is criminals trying to steal your camera.

Avenging Angels A vigilante mission with the bonus of bringing along teammates. You have to be wearing the Avenging Angel fatigues you are given early on in the game. Walk up to another angel and press up to begin the mission

The other side missions include RC Thief Takedown, Mobile Panic (similar to Panic Hour), 9MM Mayhem, Sidestar Shootout, Surveyors Challenge, Bike Salesman (which is similar to the Carsery getaway, Go Go Fruits, Wild Smoked Pigs, Kamagedden (like the mayhem firetruck mission mentioned earlier), AWOL, Arson Time, Lost on Missions (basic collection), Rc Thief Takedown, and Bike Rentals.

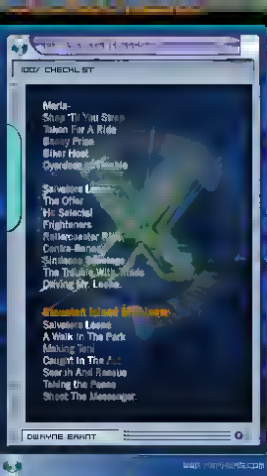
While all of these side missions are altered about the Liberty City World you will found to find something to do each time, and the game is complete and done, but, as the update, start new levels and enter mayhem.

Portland Island Missions:

Vivienne Cliff-
Stalker
Dueling Rapiers
Snuff
Smash And Grab
Hot Wheels
The Portland [illegible]

JD O'Toole-
Bone Tugboat
Dog in 30 Seconds
A Valuable Silver Spoon
Blow Up Dolls
Saunders's Salvation
The Guns of Limbo
Calm Before The Storm
The Mole Man

Ms Clarion-
Sloppy Dresser
Big Rumble in Little China
Grease Sucks
Dead Meat
My Son Of Mine.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Maria-
Skip 'Til You Strip
Taken For A Ride
Sassy Prim
Biker Host
Cyndee Trouble
Salvatore Leone
The Offer
His Selected
Frighteners
Rollercoaster Ride
Cattle Barons
Sinister Sabotage
The Trouble With Trade
Driving Mr. Leone
Salvatore Leone
A Walk In The Park
Making Time
Caught In The Act
Search And Rescue
Taking the Fame
Shoot The Messenger
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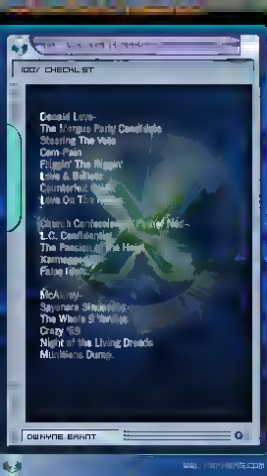
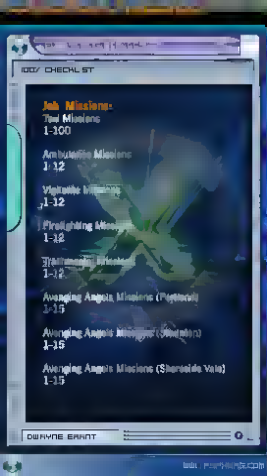

CHECKLIST
Donald Love
The Morgue Party Candidate
Stealing The Vote
Can Pain
Flippin' The Flippin'
Love & Ballet
Columbine Dance
Love On The Rocks
Clown Convention Party Noir
L.C. Candlestick
The Pancake Ate Her Head
Kamengard
False Idol
McAuley
Spyders Stranding
The Wave 3 Survivor
Crazy '69
Night of the Living Dreads
Mutilians Dump
DWAYNE GRANT

Shemzie Vale Missing:

Donald Love-
Pantastic Land Grab
Stop The Press
Morgue Party Resurrection
No Money No Problems
Bringing The House Down
Love On The Run

Techno Kasen-
More Beauty Than One Mind
Cash Clash
A Date With Chaos
Cash In Kapow's Chaos

Shemzie Lane-
Rough Justice
Dead Reckoning
Shogun Showdown
Shemzie Redemption
The 3million Gambit


Job Missions
Taxi Missions
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Ambulance Missions
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Vigilante Missions
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Firefighting Missions
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Transmission Missions
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Avenging Angels Missions (Shareside Vale)
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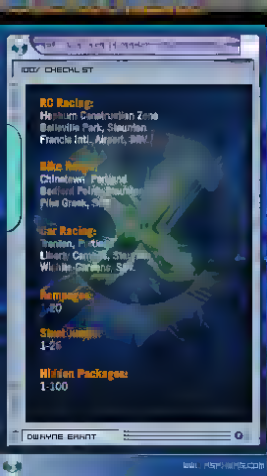
RC Racing:
Helium Construction Zone
Belleville Park, Staunton
Francis Intl. Airport, Staun
Bike Racing:
Chinatown, Portland
Portland
Pike Creek, Stau
Car Racing:
Trenton, P
Liberty Campus, Staun
Wilhite Gardens, Stau
Rampages:
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Stunt Jumps:
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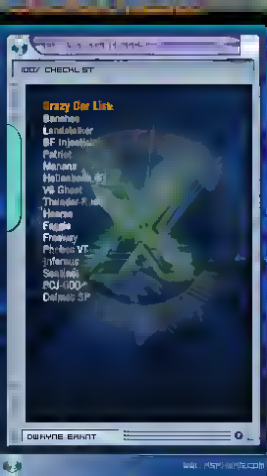
Hidden Packages:
1-100


Crazy Car Link
Banshee
F Injection
Patriot
Manana
Hellhound
V8 Ghost
Hearse
Eagle
Freeway
Phoenix GT
Inferno
Sentinel
Coupe SP

PSP GAME CHEAT CODES

Our Cheat Codes for the Month:

1. Grand Theft Auto: Liberty City Stories
2. MediEvil: Resurrection
3. Darkwatch: Chronicle: (VCT)
4. X-Men Legends II: Rise of Apocalypse
5. Star Wars: BattleFront 3

CHEAT CODES

Grand Theft Auto (LCS) Cheat Codes.

We all love [illegible] every time Rockstar releases a GTA game the first thing most people look for are the codes. We have them right here!

Weapon set 1:
Up, Square, Down, [illegible]
Right.

Weapon set 2:
Up, Circle, Circle, [illegible]
Right.

Weapon set 3:
Up, X, Down, Left, X, Down, Right.

Money Cheat $250,000:
L, R, Triangle, L, R, Circle, L, R

DWAYNE_BRANT

Armor Cheat:
L, R, Circle, L, R, X, L, R.

Health Cheat:
L, R, X, L, R, Square, L, R.

Rates Weather Cheat:
L, R, Square, L, R, Triangle, L, R.

Clear Weather Cheat:
L, L, Triangle, R, R, Square, L, Circle.

Rainy Weather:
L, L, Circle, R, R, Square, Triangle, L.

Clear Weather:
Up, Down, Circle, Up, Down, Square, L, R.

Overcast Weather:
Up, Down, X, Up, Down, Triangle, L, R.

Rainy Weather:
Up, Down, Square, Up, Down, Circle, L, R.

Foggy Weather:
Up, Down, Triangle, Up, Down, X, L, R.

Wield Cane:
X, X, R, Circle, Circle, L, Triangle, Triangle

Faster Cane:
L, L, Left, Right, Right, Circle

Destroy All Cars:
L, L, Left, Right, Right, X, Square

Random Pedestrian:
Left, Left, L, L, Square, Square, Triangle

Drive On Water:
Circle, X, Circle, Circle, X, Triangle

Swarm of Bees:
L, L, Left, L, L, Right, Triangle, Circle

Pilot Hat:
L, L, R, L, L, R, Left, Square

Pilot Attack Van:
L, L, R, L, L, R, Up, Triangle

Pilot Have Weapons:
R, R, L, R, R, L, Right, Circle

Faster Game Play:
R, R, L, R, R, L, Down, X.

Slower Game Play:
R, Triangle, X, R, Square, Circle, Up, Right.

Pistol - Tiny Head:
L, Up, Left, R, Triangle, Down, Down, X.

Aggressive Driver:
Square (x2), R, X, [illegible] (x2).

Change Bike Type:
Circle, Right, Up, Left, R, Square.

Chrome Ignition:
Triangle, R, L, Down (x2), R, R, Triangle.

Exhale Head:
Down, Left, Circle (x2), Triangle.

Commit Suicide:
L, Down, Left, R, X, Circle, Up, Triangle.

All Green Lights:
Triangle (x2), R, Square (x2), L, X (x2).

MediEvil: Resurrecting Cheat Codes.
Stuck on a level in MediEvil? Enemy kicking your butt? Think why we got these codes to help you out.

Enter the code(s) when you pause the game.

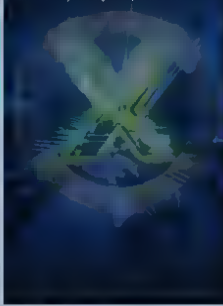
Invincibility and All Weapons

Hold R and then press Down, Up, Square, Square, Triangle, Circle, Down, Up, Square and Triangle

A cheat message will appear in the game screen giving you invincibility and all weapons in the game.

CHEAT CODES

In Arcade Mode Highlight "?" and press Start 5 times then press any P or K (Stunner).

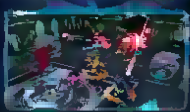


DUANE GRANT

X-Men Legends II Cheat Codes:
With not a question this is one of the best games made for the Sony PSP, but if you're a real comic book fan, you want to look at the cool artwork that the makers have implemented into the game. Here are the codes to snoop 'em out:
Use these codes when you visit the Review Computer to [illegible]

Cerulo Codes:
Right, Left, Left, Right, [illegible], Right, Start.

Unlock all movie cinematics:
Left, Right, Right, [illegible], Down, [illegible], Left, Start.



Star Wars: Battlefront II Cheat Codes

Star Wars Battlefront II is one of those games that you would never expect to come out for the PSP because of the amount of content it brings, but it did, so we have cheats for it!

In single player, pause the game then enter:
Infinite Ammo:
Up, Down, Left, Right, Right, Left, Down, Up
Down, Left, Down, Up, Up, Left, Right.

Invisibility:
Up, Up, Up, Up, Down, Down, Down, Left,
Up, Up, Up, Left, Right.

CHEAT CODES

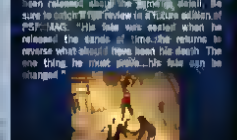
Barbarian/Kendo/Ninja/Mad Chess
Tower Cheat Codes:
Weak, same goal as the other characters.

Alternate Beating Level:
During Stage Selection Training Arcade Mode, hold start while selecting a stage to play in an alternate version of level of that stage.

Exit Option Menu:
At the main menu (by pressing Options), selecting Option.

Hidden Characters:
In Arcade Mode Highlight "?" and press start 7 Times then press any P or K (Marionette).
In all Modes highlight Brahenma, Hold Start and press any P or K (Clone Brahenma).

This first Prince of Persia game to come to the PSP is an update of the 2003 Sands of Time. This game should not be thought of as a mere port and not solely the most portly tend to be, this game has many added puzzles, enemies and maps added to the game as well and should be given a chance by the peoples who push such games aside. Gameplay also includes added concepts to the free-form combat and the ability to use the acrobatic-wall system that has the potential to significantly expand your action options. Prince of Persia for the PSP is set to be released December 6, 2005 and as of now very little information has been released about the game in detail. Be sure to catch full reviews in future editions of PSP MAG. "His fate was sealed when he released the sands of time...the returns to reverse what should have been his death. The one thing he must solve...his fate can be changed."



METAL ON METAL

SHRED THE GNARLY

Hit The Slopes

On the downside there are very few new courses and the loading times are slow compared to other games. However, good things come to those who wait, and once the levels have loaded you are bombarded with exhilarating [illegible]

Overview

Overall, I would describe myself as a very meticulous game "connoisseur," and my review of Star Wars Battlefront: Renegade Squadron, is no exception.

I purchased the game the weekend of its release; having high hopes and great excitement. After browsing through the box and the manual, the game looked amazing- having great graphics, missions, and more. Logically, I let my initial judgment purely from the back of the box and my previous experiences with Battlefront on the Xbox.

Game Specs:

Five minutes later, I fired up the game (it requires firmware v2.0 only to find fairly slow loading times and horrible movie graphics. Well, I think to myself, *first impressions are sure to improve.* I then play a single level, one of these "only-on-PSP" ones. Guess what? I find it to be a complete failure, and here's why:

The Ugly

In this level, I was playing as a soldier with standard weapons and a pistol. First, I focused on the game's graphics. I found the overall look to be a poorly-composited image with very hard transparency and white pixels randomly surrounding it. The render is actually messy, and I think the graphics team just slapped it together. This can also be the case with the sound, where the gun shots are quite beautiful and dynamic. In the PS2 version, everything except the sound is ugly. In some levels, there is a "shifter" around the playing area, indicating that you cannot go there. However, the border is quite spiky: just a blank area of white. If you're viewing something from the distance, the images are pixelated as well.

The animations are fair in enemies, but the slow gameplay makes them pretty bad. Luckily, they can be customized, but with what purpose? Great aiming and fast movement is not part of this game.

The sound is good, however, as in all Star

of the game.

The Bottom Line

The PSP version of Battalion 4 is nothing like the console counterparts. Not even close. I'm sorry to say, and not what I expected either. I personally game a SAMURAI don't play it. Unless you really are gaming for shooter portions, and if you're in it for those, get the console version!

I returned the battalion 4 to the store after 40 minutes of embarrassing gameplay. O.C.S. what is wrong with you.

OVERALL RATING: 5/10

Megaman Comes to PSP

Remember the good old days when game cartridges were considered a technological marvel and game saves never existed? Time should remind you of SNES one of Nintendo's greatest in its glory. SNES featured many classics that are still around today, but one in particular that was shown with Sony was Megaman X. Megaman X was a side scrolling shoot-em-up game featuring bosses and armor in abundance. The Press has just released two new titles for the Sony PSP- Megaman Maverick Hunter X and Megaman Powered Up.

Powered Up

Megaman powered up features the game that made its first debut on the NES known as Megaman. Powered Up has many new additions that are going to set the bar high for future Megaman games. Graphics of Megaman Powered Up have taken on a whole new feel. No more pixels stay to a side scrolling 3D adventure. Characters in the game have abnormally sized heads, which adds a "cuter" look to it.

www.psphunter.com

Another nice addition is when you enter the 'boss' room. There will be a cut scene adding to more non gaming. The game includes a Construction Mode that lets you create your own levels and map design. Also Capcom has fixed many older bugs like shooting through walls and has replaced the useful zug with revamped zuko, three difficulty levels, and more ways to complete a level. You also unlock more "goodies" like special construction, which adds more weapons to it. Capcom has added two new bosses to the game and if that wasn't enough, Megaman Challenge has 100 different challenges for you to try out.

Maverick Hunter X

Megaman Maverick Hunter X features more the same with the exception of Construction Mode. This game is based of the SNES Megaman X and there's one problem... everything is completely rehand around upgrades munitions etc. This game features 3D graphics and an Unbeatable movie and of course has provided bear hotter cut scenes. This game features almost the exact same times of Megaman Powered Up except for one thing that completely boggled my mind. You are able to play as Megaman's Arch Rival, Vile who focuses mostly on offensive combat. So with 3D graphics revamped items it looks very promising. Expect more coverage from this game by me in later issues.

-Zendata

Gripshift Review

Remember Hot Wheels the collectible cars with an amazing amount of variety. Well now there is a game that is similar to the collectors item for fans to enjoy. Gripshift is a game that was silently released and lost in the hype of Soul Calibur 3. Grip Shift delivers the Hot Wheels style to gaming by with a hint of the game Super Monkey Ball. The reason I added SMB to the feel is because you go through a series of courses with a beatable car while completing goals as you drive through the roller coaster type courses. This game features many twists and turns that are sure to keep you on the edge of your seat. It sounds good until it comes to the actual driving, it's hard to maintain a moderate speed while turning big loops and trying to keep from falling off the track.

3 Laps to go
Other than that this game displays fairly good sound and an amazing sense of completion. Also it has an amazing amount of mini games including pool which is cunningly built. Then has its element in one mini game as well your car plane from a grid and your car can move on the lines automatically. Gripshift is sure to keep you happy for a while, but I recommend renting it first.
Zen Data
Gameplay: 9/10
Graphics: 8/10
Sound: 9/10
Options: 9.0/10
OVERALL RATING: 9.0/10
POOR
DECENT
GOOD

Metal Gear Acid 2

Ok, so we all know about the famous Metal Gear Solid Series... well at least you should. This game was released for the PSP a few months back with a bit of a twist. It wasn't the same FPS we were all used to, but it wasn't bad at all! The graphics were decent and the gameplay was pretty good and would go on for hours and hours. The only real problem that got gamers a little upset was the fact that it was more of a strategy game. (Something like what Level of the Ripper is going to be like.) Apart from that, a great little franchise and All Hail metalgearsolid.com! Basically all you could ask for in a game, but again it wasn't what everyone was looking forward to

Better Than Metal Gear?

So Konami had a response for this as well, a "Superior MGA 2." It's going to be the sequel to the first one only with improved graphics, twice as many cards that they had in the first game are the weapons and objects used in the games, and very longer and enhanced gameplay. This game is coming out Feb-Mar. 2006 MGA could have been better and was somewhat a deeper variant compared to the Playstation and PS2 spectacular series. However, I recommend it to people who enjoy strategy games, definitely worth looking if you're into that style.

Madden '08 Second Opinion

This game has a lot of wonderful features to play around with! We've got Mini-Game, Franchise, Online Multiplayer, Study Player, and more! But, while this game is insanely addicting!

Of all the games I have played for the PS3, this one is definitely best. It's really fun, and you never get bored with it. That may be a bad thing though, make sure your energy supply is plugged in! The thing I like most about this game is how you can play with a game. No big setup or anything, just pick your teams and let the games begin! It's very lovable like official rules of the NFL, which is some

games isn't mean much.

Franchise mode, as I understand it, is where you make your own team and see how you succeed among other teams and try to make it to the superbowl. Though, it does have a few glitches in it. It has every now and a while. Mini-Camp is the best! Train your players and your skills so you can maximize on the experience. Also, that's where the draft is! Yeah, isn't it? There are many different challenges to play and they'll all challenge your players skills. Also, there's practice. This is where you can change the offense / defense and pick plays (or set it to random), and it will simulate just that play in the game. Like if you pick offense and random play, you'll be on offense and you'll have to try to score a touchdown with a random play. It sounds confusing, but it's actually really fun!

Well, that's only a few of the features from this game. But from this review, you should get a basic idea that this game is AWESOME. Buy it!

9/10

Can you say RPG? The Legend of Heroes is by far one of the best RPG's for the Sony PSP. As one of the best RPG's for the system, this is a must have game for RPG gamers. This game is much like Golden Sun for the Gameboy Advance, but with a lot better graphics, storyline, gameplay, and you name it.

Graphics are pretty good, but could be better. Although the graphics may not be so good the game is still pretty cool. The graphics deserve a 8/10.

The sound is how most RPG games. Mostly some nice battle sounds, but nothing else, from the battle sounds.

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REVIEW

The sounds are really good though because of the music and the nice sound effects. 9/10.

Game play, who can forget about that? Well, the game play in the many other Capcom games, the features make up for it. There are some really fun parts in the [illegible] keep you playing. 8/10.

Overall, this game is an average game that should be owned by [illegible] so be sure to pick this game up.

OVERALL RATING: 8.5/10

POOR DECENT GOOD

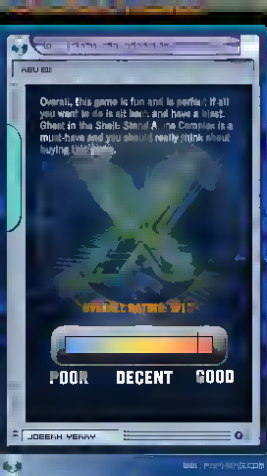
JOSEPH VERAY

Those of you who have played this game seem to know what I am about to talk about. Those of you who haven't even heard about this game, should really listen up because this is another great game that deserves to be in any collection. I highly recommend getting this game if you liked the first FFX game called Chaos Armies.

In this game you can play up to four different characters not the four that are usually select in Techtonia. As you progress through your missions and you can earn other characters the latest with a truly different ending.

The graphics in this game are pretty amazing but don't compare to those of the PS2 version. Despite this, they are still pretty good for a portable system. 8/10

The sound in this game is very good. You get full voice on each character including a voice for the Techtonia. 10/10


Overall, this game is fun and is perfect if all you want to do is sit back and have a blast. Ghost in the Shell: Stand Alone Complex is a must-have and you should really think about buying this game.
POOR
DECENT
GOOD

The first Unreal Legends title was a pretty decent game, considering it was the first of it's kind on the PSP and that SCE only had a total of about a year in order to work on the game. There were a few letdowns, but all that looks like it's going to change in the upcoming sequel, Unreal Legends: The Warrior's Code.

The game will feature a new storyline and all new characters. SCE also built a brand new 3D engine and made the game an improved overall title, including cloth & particle effects, fine water effects, which is how the weapons will be submerged through lands and rivers. Also, the character animation is much smoother this time around, meaning no more stiff, awkward movements when running or walking.

Besides all the visual improvements, the game sounds like it will be much longer this time around, with five chapters and even a "prologue", much like how SCE's Champions of Norrath title had. The PS2 was split up into different segments. There will be five playable characters this time, Dimple, Guardian,

Mercenary, Prowler and Sentinel, all which can transform into a certain animal as a type of character move. Character systems has also been improved with tons of hairstyles, clothes and over 30 attributes.

As for combat, players will have numerous new moves to perform, which adds more depth into the hack'n'slash genre. Also, unlike Brotherhood of the Blade, characters will now have up to four active spells instead of just two. Multiplayer in Age of Empires [Infrastructure] with LAN and Internet] is obviously a welcoming feature.

With all these new features to look forward to, there's nothing much more to say if you enjoyed Brotherhood of the Blade even a little bit, then you must definitely get this sequel, better sequel.

Finally, a real strategy RPG mix on the PSP! And the fact that it's from Idea Factory is behind it is even better news. If you loved the Disgaea and Phantom Brave games on the PS2, then look forward to generation of Chaos.

The gameplay is basically a mixture of Final Fantasy Tactics, Romancing of the Three Kingdoms series and the other game I forgot. Basically, you travel the land controlling your kingdom, building up troops, army, economy or your fortification. Of course, the combat is a solid portion of the game as each territories into 3D on 3D battles. Each of the battles are huge, intense, and fully strategizable. It works in a squad system, where you assign orders to leaders representing portions of your army. Besides that, after fulfilling certain requirements, your heroes will be able to unleash super moves that deal massive damage to opponents.

There seems to be a lot to look forward to in this game, and the only thing that fans will be able to complain about so far is the release date, which is quite a wait away.

Pelican Case Armor/UMD Jackets

Sure, it might protect your screen, but that's what a Playgear Pocket is for. And it might cover the back of you UMD... but that's what an Atlantis UMD Case is for. I highly do not recommend this product. Here's why:

First off, this doesn't protect the majority of the PSP like the Playgear Pocket (PSP) it simply sits over the buttons and screen. It also acts as a scratch... but it's out of very good quality, so it just kind of slides right down flat against the surface.

Second, The UMD Jackets... by protect the back of the UMD. It might protect the information on the UMD, but it the plastic on the front of it is useless. So all of the protection of the information on the UMD did

you're good.

Finally, and very oddly, it smells! Yes, you read correctly, it smells. The soft rubber-ish material underneath the plastic armor is a smelly, oozing part of this product that makes your PSP smell terrible! This might sound odd to you....keep use it. This thing can't go in a dumpster when it's done!!!

My final statement is that you don't buy this.

Pelican HeadBanger Travel Case

This case is wonderful, if you plan on bringing your PSP games and PS2 DVDs with you! For about the size of a PlayGear Pocket (PGP) you can bring four UMDs, two Memory Sticks, and your PSP with you with superior protection! I'll start by telling you the pro's of the Pelican HeadBanger Travel Case, and then the con's.

One good thing about this case is that it holds four of your UMD's, two of which are in your PSP. I have four games in the perfect for me. If you have more, just bring the ones you need to play quickly or you'll. Also, it holds two PS2 DVDs, again I'll use it in your PSP. I don't find much use for these, and they don't fit very well in them, so they're there if I ever need them! Another thing is that the flap that protects the screen of the PSP, with UMD storage on top, is soft to keep away dings and scratches. There's also straps to keep the PSP in place. And, the case is pretty hard, providing pretty good protection. Probably no damage will be done if it is dropped, just don't put a PGP and throw it out the window!

Pelican HeadBanger Travel Case

Now for the downsides of this case. It doesn't double as a movie stand like the PSP! The zipper also eliminates easy access. I like being able to just open the case and play, not undo the zipper, open the flap, take off the straps, and pry it out of the case. The PSP fits a little too snugly in the case. Another problem is it doesn't give you that completely unbreakable shell to be quite honest. Given the weak spots on the case you can't leave it inside with the PSP. You must get the headphone cord out into the headphone jack, it just doesn't flow out. Also there's no access to the music or buttons, essentially making the use of the music feature of the PSP, which is my Video is the best feature!

My final verdict is if you're looking for gaming on the go, buy this case. If you're looking to not hold much, but be able to use the Music and Movie features, buy the PSP! Maybe the Pelican HeadBanger Travel Case is only ten dollars, but the extra ten may buy you a secure case that is key for many portability

7.5/10

Logitech Play Gear Street

All of you PSP fans have heard of the PSP or Play Gear Pocket, heck you probably own one, but have you heard of the Play Gear Street? The Play Gear Street is another handy PSP case built by Logitech. However this is not an ordinary PSP case; it's able to carry 3 UMD's and 6 Memory Sticks. Some of you probably got the Play Gear Pocket because of its toughness. Well the Play Gear Street is made out of the same materials as the Play Gear Pocket. You can wear the case around your chest or over your shoulder or clipped onto your backpack, since the case comes with a strap and a plastic carabiner. The only bad thing about the Play Gear Street is that it is quite big and you cannot customize it like the Play Gear Pocket. The Play Gear Street is 10 dollars more than the Play Gear Pocket, but still worth the money. GameStop carries this product, as well as other electronic stores. It is convenient for traveling if you have any trips coming up.

Allods UMD Cases

These inexpensive accessories are the best thing to come to UMD protection! They are virtually indestructible, held up to five (not so impressive), four at most UMDs, come with carry and go for around one-fifty, dollar, and can be modded. If you're one of the few who dare to unleash their PSP on the world, you better have these.

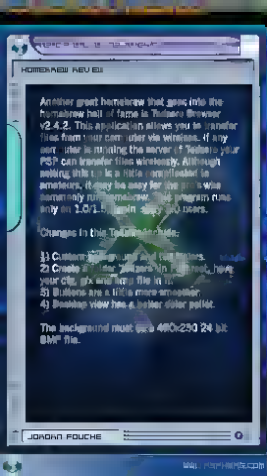
When I say virtually indestructible, I mean there is an inherent flaw in the case won't break! It's the best thing to have for your UMDs. Just don't put it under a train there alone for it will most assured unpleasantly crack. I put my UMDs in other cloth in there that came with my PSP; it work great.

Another wonderful thing about the Arkadia Case is that you don't have to only UMDs in there, whereas other "made for PSP" accessories are filled to the UMDs and no. What I mean is you can put UMDs, ear buds, your PSP remote, your PSP cleaning cloth, and a memory card or two in there! That's the wonderful thing about this, the versatility of the PSP's packaging.

Now, you can carry on the Arkadia Case's feats. On pretty much any PSP forum online there are UMD Case Skins that a template to make your own! If you aren't feeling "My set smells like fine linen" kinda you're pretty average, but you can still make it happen!

I'd do anything to keep my stay dollar games safe, especially pay $10 dollar for the best protection you can get!

8.5/10


HOMEBREW REVIEW
Another great homebrew that goes into the homebrew hall of fame is Twinkle Browser v2.4.2. This application allows you to transfer files from your computer via wireless. If your computer is running the server of Twinkle your PSP can transfer files wirelessly. Although setting this up is a little complicated to amateurs, it may be easy for the pros who constantly run homebrew. This program runs only on 1.0/1.5 firmware since 2.0 users.
Changes in this Twinkle include:
1) Custom backgrounds and text folders.
2) Create folder. This puts folders in the root, here your cbr, gif, and other file in it.
3) Buttons are a little more smoother
4) Boolean view has a better color pallet.
The background must be a 480x240 24 bit BMP file.
JOAQUIN FOUCHE

The Talisman.gtk file is as follows:

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BUTTON_COLOR 66,66,133,255 <- Draw color
TEXT_COLOR 255,255,255,255 <- Text Color
SEL_COLOR 0,0,255,255 <- Selected item color
MENU_COLOR 0,0,0,255 <- Menu Background
BOX_COLOR 66,66,133,255 <- Border color
BG_COLOR 0,0,0,255 <- Background color
BG_IMAGE /mnt/0/Talisman/talisman.png
#Background image name
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Although this program is clearly unusable when you don't have a GTK menu, if you do have a menu you must be the fastest person in the world not to see that other than what I've just said, this program is useful as a tool without a menu but if you have multiple people trying to load one thing from the same computer, what can be considered...

Many would say PSP windows is a horrible knockoff of the Liberating PSIX and their riveting Windows makeover that is near its release. PSPWindows is basically trying to imitate a computers desktop with the basic icons and essentials including, creating shortcuts to homebrews/UMDs, start menu, a clock, browser, and more default menus. Sadly this program is very glitchy and unfinished considering it was built from LIBA. The controls are as simple

Controls for PSPWindows:
– Analog = mouse movement
– X / Cross = select items
– Circle = open start menu
– Press Select = go back

As you can see from the image, it doesn't take my 12 year old brother with the down the size of a grain of sand to figure this out. Running PSIX you should give this program a look, it may not have a very good use right now but after PSIX came out there will be a big picking between sides. If you're not into PSPWindows I'm sure PSIX will sure satisfy your homebrew needs. (More in next issue)

How to fit more songs on memory card

Do you have a PSP?
Do you have a ton of media on your computer?
Well, if so then I have a whole bunch of tips for those of you who are into the media capabilities of your system.

Music

If you have a memory capacity variety slim, such as a 32 MB, and have tried to put songs on your PSP, you have probably noticed that you can only fit a few songs, which is a pain. Well there is a way to never run out. I have a way to cram many songs on your memory card.

1. The first thing to do is download and install the Connect Music Player from www.connect.com. There is a link to it at the top of the home page.

5 simple steps

2. Once you have done that, plug your PSP in and set it to usb mode. Then open up the Connect Music Player. When it finishes loading, point your mouse over to the top of the screen. There should be 5 buttons there. Music Store, My Library and Transfer. Click on "Transfer". A menu should fold down. Now if you've done everything right you should see something that says "Memory Stick (PSP)" and the drive that it is located in. If not then repeat the process again

3. Now click on the Memory Stick button. You should be redirected over to a transfer screen. Mouse over to the Music Source button. A fold down menu should appear. Click import Music files and now a small screen should come up. Just import your files from there and they should pop up in the "My Library" box at the left of your screen.

4. After all of this has been completed, there is one more very important step. Click on the settings box between the 'My Library' box and the Memory Stick box at the right. Go down to specified transfer mode and check it, then go over to bit rate. Click the box and set the bit rate to 64kbps (ATRAC3), then click OK.

5. Then all you have to do is close the box, highlight all the music in your Library and click on the arrow pointing to the right. If you've done this correctly your music should transfer to your PSP with a lot less memory than normal.

If you wanted to fill up your 32 MB memory stick completely you could hold up to 20 songs. I fit 125 songs on my 256 MB card (about 2 MB per song) and the music sounds great. I hope you enjoyed this tutorial. If you have any questions, please contact us at the forums!

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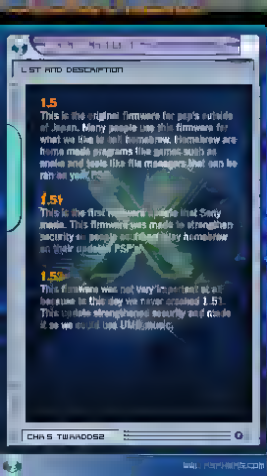

LIST AND DESCRIPTION
1.5
This is the original firmware for psp's outside of Japan. Many people use this firmware for what we use to call homebrew. Homebrew are things made programs like games such as snakes and tools like file managers that can be ran on your PSP.
1.5y
This is the first firmware made that Sony made. This firmware was made to strengthen security a psp can't be played illegally homebrew on their updated PSP's.
1.52
This firmware was not very important at all because to this day we never received 1.51. This update strengthens security and made it so we could use UMD music.
CHAS TWARDOSZ

2.00

Sony has made new games require 2.0. There was a way around it called a version changer and it would make your psp think it was 2.0 so you could play the games. But, recently games such as GTA: LCS prevented this. 2.0 is the largest update Sony has released so far. It put a web browser in your PSP which is a lot better than the Wipeout Pure browser or the Ranch browser. Also many more photo formats were added so file transfer is now a lot easier. Additionally networking and video were improved further, along other updates for video formats and [illegible] were also added.

2.01

This is a considerably minor update. The only reason Sony added it was because of the downgrader and a virus, so it makes the system more secure.

2.50

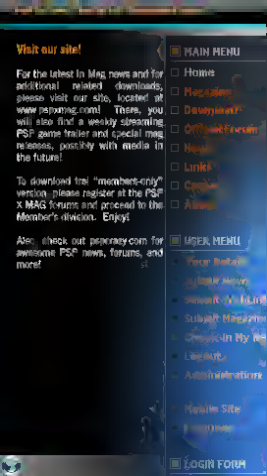
This is the most current update adding a feature call[illegible]s-free. Location-free lets you watch TV or videos anywhere you whenever you are, but you need to buy a special base which ranges between $150-300. More small video and internet additions were also implemented in this version.

On December 6th 2004, the Sony PSP was released in Japan. On December 12th 2004, I bought and re-sold my own from Japan with copy of Ridge Racer for $500. Although it was expensive, I originally bought it to sell on ebay for massive profits, then after receiving it I saw how truly beautiful and awesome this system really was. It was like a sleek Black Panther in the night. The screen was absolutely flattened while the audio blasted out of it, reminding me of a smaller version of what I was confused as Xbox as I was in NYC. I'll try this new system out. Sadly, I was also in Ridge Racer case because I was currently playing it also and sold it and UMD also. Then I turned it on exposing the high resolution 4.3 inch LCD-TFT screen. Even though the Ridge Racer as well as the graphics were not quite at all compared to some ps2 games I played it reminded me of Ridge Racer on ps2, except on steroids. But I don't like racing games so I went to Circuit City and bought another so game. This time the game was Legend of Heroes: Gagharv Trilogy, a sweet yet solid SNES Type RPG (Role Playing Game FYI.

A LITTLE BACKGROUND INFO AND HOW IT STARTED

Anyway days went on and I noticed people were releasing things on the web such as Video Converters, and games. I have to do this every where. So I decided that I wanted to open a PSP website which can help name people out. I bought a small server which cost 7.99 a month. I went ahead and installed my forums and it had only the crappiest website designs on the web. Now I'm 15 so I'll just say that was 3 years ago. Now I'm 18 and my forums look awful. The forums were a custom psp template which I designed myself. It was pretty sweet. The current forums are a part of the old one. So I picked two psp Video Websites and a few trailers of first fantasy advent children. Then I went in advertise on them whatever you call it) my site on a bunch of psp forums, and blogger forum I advertised on, you pretend.com (the owner later shut his site down) Then on the forums we had about 4 guys register daily. We had a small community at first, but my original link, Dragon Gaming Monkey, and Deepblade spammed my forum to avail, with great success, they banned 15 users in a week. The after that smashing joined and then there our the exploited with visitors, we later changed

the design to something a little bit less crappy (the current design) Well now were changing the design to something great mainly cuz I failed. Any way after the second design I added around a total of 40 tutorials, a bunch of downloads, a few flash movies, I gathered money and started to rent a server. Currently the site has 19000 members and around 20000 visitors a day. My Current goal is to have fun and help other fans get help or achieve their fun. The site is currently the second biggest fear tube, at we [illegible] number 1!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GAME RELEASE
MOVIE RELEASE

DECEMBER 2005 CALENDAR

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Happy Holidays!

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December 31st

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Vs. Undertaker (c)
Star Wars Episode III: Revenge of the Sith
Spongebob's Scary Movie
Scary Movie
Scary Movie 2
Scary Movie 3
Scary Movie 4
Police Academy
Police Academy 2: Their First Assignment
Police Academy 3: Back in Training
Police Academy 4: Citizens on Patrol
Police Academy 5: Assignment Miami Beach
Police Academy 6: City Under Siege
Police Academy 7: Mission to Moscow
Mortal Kombat
Mortal Kombat: Annihilation
Mortal Kombat: Conquest
Mortal Kombat: Conquest Season 2
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Mortal Kombat: Conquest Season 9
Mortal Kombat: Conquest Season

TUESDAY

December 6th

Pirates of Pete's Revenge
Tentacool
Pikachu Jigglypuff Meowth
Mr. Mr. Character Unleashed Power 2
Pac-Man World 3
Darkness, The
Pac-Attack Ultra
Aqua Team Stinger Returns, The 4
Fantastic Four
The Tales of Hazzard

December 13th

Animal Crossing: Wild Resistance – Special Edition
Pac-Man Jamboree: A Big Kung Fu
The Sims 2
Langshot
The Octagon
Trigun Vol. 1
Gorillaz
Legend: The Best of Bob Marley
A Game of One

December 20th

Crash Bandicoot: The Cortex Strikes Back
National Lampoon's Animal House
Batman Begins
Cyberpunk: The Dozen
Iron Maiden
Serenity
House of Wax
Four Brothers
Robocop
Enter the Dragon
Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines
The Matrix
Billy Madison
Chastenaire
Sandals/Tan Sans on 2
The Entrapment of Emily Rose

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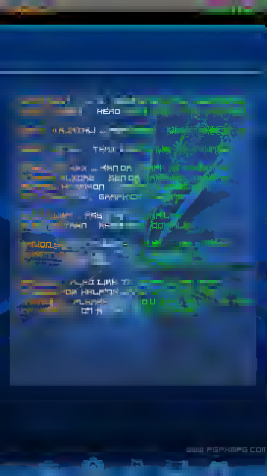

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